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THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" (*a*) to (*d*) The answer [a] is placed on the table of the House."

Applications for the sanction of electric connections in the Madras City.

* 704 *Q.*—SRI D. DASARATHAN (on behalf of Sri A. Ratnam) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of applications for the supply of electricity to houses pending with the Madras Electricity System, Madras City, on 1st January 1954;

(*b*) the number of applications sanctioned and the number of houses to which supply has been given; and

(*c*) the amount of collection by way of installation costs and deposits received in the year 1952?

THE HON. RAJA SRI SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" (*a*) 5,627.

" (*b*) 23,937 applications were sanctioned from 29th August 1947 when Government took over the undertaking to 1st January 1954 and supply was given to all these applicants during the period.

" (*c*) During 1952–53 a sum of Rs. 4,65,631 was collected as installation costs and Rs. 2,40,587 as security deposits."

SRI C. RAJAM RAMASAMI :—" May I know the number of new services given per month on an average? "

THE HON. RAJA SRI SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" A separate question may be put."

* 705 *Q.*—SRI D. DASARATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) how many applications were received by the Madras Electricity System authorities for giving electric connections during the year 1952–53;

(*b*) how many of them were sanctioned and in how many cases works have actually been carried out; and

(*c*) the amount they were able to collect by way of advance for giving electric connections?

THE HON. RAJA SRI SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" (*a*) 7,272.

" (*b*) 2,306 and 2,213 respectively.

" (*c*) Rs. 10,93,350."

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[a] Printed as Appendix II on page 682–683 infra.